

Session 5: Grow

GROUP LEADER NOTES & SESSION WALK THROUGH



KEY IDEA TO FOCUS ON THIS WEEK

Saving and planning aren't about hoarding but about demonstrating wisdom and maturity. Choosing to give up today's desires for tomorrow's benefit shows trust in God's future provision. Help your group focus on how margin, goals, and long-term thinking can actually free them to serve God's Kingdom more fully.

Review (10 min)

As you start the group, have the group read together the Bible verse and key idea from last week at the top of [page 37](#).

Afterwards, take some time for everyone in your group to share how things went in taking the next step from [page 34](#).

Opening Discussion (10 min)

See middle of [page 37](#) and remember that this opening discussion is meant to just get the group talking and sharing a little bit of their story and relationship with money.

READ THE FOLLOWING BEFORE THE VIDEO:

Before we watch today's video, remember that financial growth isn't just about having more - it's about gaining freedom to follow God's calling with courage and generosity. Let's listen for how God might be inviting us to build margin and prepare for the future with Him at the center.

Message (29 min)

To access the video for this session visit [VIMEO.COM/SHOWCASE/11750479](https://vimeo.com/showcase/11750479) or go to obcc.church/group-curriculum and password for the page is [leader7702](#)

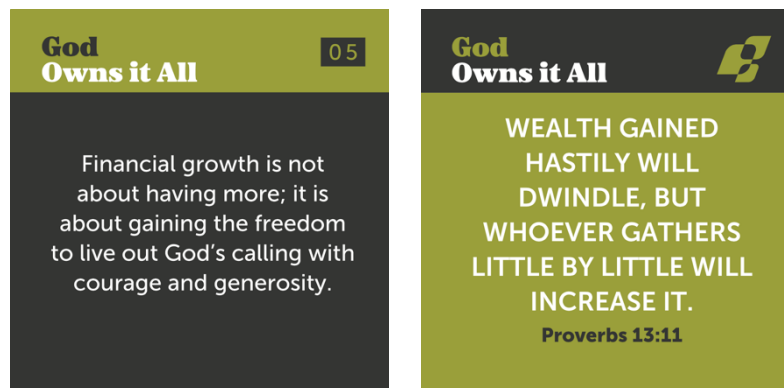
Group Discussion (30-35 min)

If you don't have time to cover all the questions this week, try focusing on questions 1, 2, 3, and 5. Remember, if you don't cover all the questions that is okay. Focusing on a few key questions or even asking a follow up question to help your group better apply this week's lesson will often yield better results than just trying to rush through each question.

Remember, if your group is larger than 6 people then try breaking into groups of 2-3 people to discussion question 1 and 2. Set your timer on your phone for approximately 5 minutes and then afterwards, have a few people share their answers to these opening two questions.

Taking the Next Step (10 min)

Have someone in your group read the paragraph at the top of **page 41** then have everyone **grab the memory cards** out of their books and as a group read the Bible verse as a group on **card #5** and then read the key idea as a group. Challenge yourself and your group members to memorize these two things each week because unless our beliefs change and are molded by God's Word, then our behavior will never shift long term.



Second, have someone read the personal exercise in the middle of **page 41**. After you read through it, **ask your group members to circle or star the action they plan to take this week** (or come up with their own). If they're comfortable, have them share it with the rest of the group since it will encourage them to follow through with what they shared.

Group Prayer (10 min)

IDEA TO TRY: There are many ways to handle group prayer, but a simple and effective way to do this is to grab some index cards to use each week for prayer time. Pass one card out to each person in your group then ask them to write down a personal and specific prayer request along with their name and phone number at the top of their card. Afterwards, have them swap it with another person in the group of the same gender and encourage them to pray for this person and send them a text this week too. This is an easy, but effective way to nudge the men in the group to reach out to one another, and for the women to do the same.

Wrap Up (5 min)

If your group is new take some time to discuss if everyone would like to continue meeting after this study. It's important to get everyone thinking about this prior to session six. You'll find some suggested next studies listed with the walk through for next session as well as in your study guide.